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CIRCULATING THROUGHOUT THE VAST AGRICULTURAL AREA OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

Life Sure Gets Tedium, Don't It?

RECENT OPERATIONS

By Paul Rardin

I spoke before members of the Lions Club in Pahokee Tuesday. County Engineer Jake Boyd and County Commissioner Lake Lytal of West Palm Beach were scheduled to tell the Lions about county government and the Bacon Point airport. The hurricane made it impossible for either of them to make the trip—so, I did the talking. I took the new county budget and showed the boys where their money goes. I also told them why taxes will be higher next year than they are this year.

In the weekly bulletin published by the Lions I noted that last week they had 100 percent attendance. I can remember when we had 100 percent attendance at the Pahokee Rotary Club. However, it seems to me that it has been a long time since we hung up a record like that. It seems to me like it has been a long time since we hung up a record.

Radio'll Get You If You Break Any Fish And Game Statutes

It's going to be mighty tough in the future to cheat on the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission agents. It won't make a bit of difference if you did make a premium payment of two-bits on your license, the commission has taken to radio to track down violators.

The first radio unit of the commission is to be established in Okeechobee City and it will be able to make instant contact with radio equipped jeeps, patrol boats, swamp buggies and other rolling and floating stock used to hunt down those who break game laws. Included in the equipment set-up is a hydroplane.

Game wardens will be in constant touch with the station and coordination and cooperation will eventually lead the agent to the fellow who is breaking the law. On Lake Okeechobee the hydroplane will swoop down over the game violator, instantly the pilot will radio headquarters and headquarters will dispatch a speed boat loaded with minnows of the law toward the alleged violator. Before the license-buying "sportsman" knows what is going on he will be snatched up and carted off to jail.

B. A. Everett of Tallahassee, chief of the communications division of the game and fish commission, is in Okeechobee City supervising installation of the new setup. It has been pointed out that the system will be available in storms and other emergencies.

Beauty Contest To Mark Opening Of Swimming Pool

One of the outstanding features on the day's program at the community celebration of the opening of the new public swimming pool early next month will be a beauty contest sponsored by the Beta Omicron Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, according to plans made at a meeting of the chapter at the home of Mrs. D. W. Cunningham on Thursday evening of last week.

Mrs. E. J. Graham, president, named Mrs. M. I. Keen, Mrs. Earl Maxson, Mrs. Clyde Alley, Mrs. Lewis Friend, Mrs. O. R. Bleen and Mrs. Rupert Mock on the committee in charge of arrangements for the beauty contest. Contest rules will be announced as soon as they are formulated by the committee. All proceeds from the project will go into the swimming pool fund.

A program on "Conduct and Friendship" was presented by Mrs. R. R. Long, assisted by Mrs. Lewis Friend and Mrs. Earl Maxson, the latter conducting a forum on "Friendship." Mrs. I. M. Lair reported that materials for the preparation of future programs are available at the city and school libraries.

Plans were made for entertaining husbands of members at a barbecue and outdoor party at the home of Mrs. H. T. Williams on the evening of Sept. 27. Mrs. T. W. Knight led in the group singing of sorority songs with Mrs. Parnell Enecks at the piano.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Friend on the night of Oct. 7 with Mrs. J. C. Shoepell assisting in the entertainment.

Mrs. John A. Dulany, co-hostess, assisted Mrs. Cunningham with serving of refreshments to 22.

PTA Group Will Meet In WPB In Nov.

WEST PALM BEACH — The Florida Congress of Parents and Teachers will hold its 25th annual convention in West Palm Beach, November 9, 10 and 11, it was announced by Mrs. J. E. Shea, president of the county Parent Teachers Organization.

Headquarters for the convention have been established at the George Washington Hotel and sessions during the meeting will be held at the High School and at the First Methodist Church.

A pre-convention meeting of the State Board of Managers will be held all day Tuesday, November 9, it was announced by Mrs. J. Floyd Griffin, Tampa, state president. All reservations should be made through convention headquarters.

Wednesday afternoon during the toughest part of the hurricane a friend of the editor's barged into this newspaper office and without cracking a smile said: "Life sure gets tedious, don't it?"

The remark wasn't a bit funny at the time, but, today, with a bright sun overhead, as we look back on the remark and how aptly it fit the occasion, we can see a bit of humor in it.

Columns have been written already about the big blow. Millions of words have been sputtered into microphones over the country telling of the hurricane, its course, its destruction and its final trip into the sea.

There are no beams left. Sugar cane is a twisted and broken mass.

Ramie is flattened and leafless. The cattle crop was saved. Hundreds of trees have been uprooted.

Many roofs blew off.

The country is flooded.

Water is over Conner's highway. County roads are water-logged. Telephone service in this newspaper office is out. (Nothing unusual.)

Electricity has been restored in most places by the hardest working crew of linemen in the South.

All in all, the Everglades section of Palm Beach county is right back where it was a year ago after the 1947 flood.

And the more we think about that friend's remark, the more we are inclined to believe that "Life does get tedious, don't it?"

New Hours Named For Glades Clinics

Mr. Paul Rardin,
County Commissioner,
Canal Point, Florida

Dear Mr. Rardin:

In accordance with our conversation yesterday regarding the needed change in hours for the County Physician's Clinics in the Glades Area, due to the very heavy clinic at the Belle Glade Hospital, I am requesting that you give notice to the general public that the clinics on and after September 30, 1948, will be as follows:

Papokee
Hospital 1:00 - 3:00 p. m.
Belle Glade

Hospital 3:30 - 5:30 p. m.

The above plan will save the County Physician and Nurse considerable time and enable them to devote a complete afternoon to the clinics in these two cities.

I am making this same request of the other newspapers in the Glades section of the County, as well as the radio station in Belle Glade, for the information of the public.

Thanking you for your usual cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

W. E. Van Landingham, M. D.
County Physician

Mr. and Mrs. George Fletcher of Miami and Indiantown visited Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Howes and other friends in Pahokee Sunday.

Last Minute Change Messes Up Nice Job Of Schedule Printing

Just 24 hours after the Blue Devils football schedules were printed last week came notice from Gesu High School in Miami that their game would have to be played in Pahokee. A handsome job of printing the large schedules had been turned out by The Everglades News commercial printing department. To see part of this printing job scratched through and messed up with a fountain pen hurt the pride of those who had turned out the finished job.

Not only did the large placards get a complete going over, but, the small cards carrying the entire fall's schedule of games received the same treatment. Don't misunderstand us, the changes were necessary. But, it's the pride of the printing industry that makes an establishment want its product to present an attractive appearance when it is posted for the public to peruse.

Just to be honest about the whole thing, this newspaper wants the public to know that it was no error in this office that caused the cards to look like they do.

Opening Game Will Be Played Tonight Lair Field, Maybe!

Coach Clyde Alley's Pahokee Blue Devils are scheduled to take the field tonight against the invading gridsmen from St. Theresa of Miami. The elements have been against such an encounter during the week but the coach is of the opinion that lights and all necessary appurtenances can be straightened out before game time.

Over the week end the lights were focused and made ready for the opening game tonight. Then, out of the clear blue sky and from many directions came a hurricane. After that the lights needed focusing again. If electricity is available and the lights are back in shape by 8:15 tonight you can see the season's opener.

Vegetable Group To Meet In WPB Oct. 5

WEST PALM BEACH — The Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association will hold its fifth annual meeting here, October 5-7, with a number of important matters on the agenda. Manager LaMonte Grav has announced. One of the major items of discussion will be the effect of rail rate increases on the Winter vegetable industry.

Other discussions will center around the farm labor supply for 1948-49, material and equipment situation, price and marketing prospects, domestic and foreign competition and consumer packaging.

New Cattle Market Will Be Located In Town Belle Glade

Little Doc Van Landingham, president of the Glades Livestock Market Association, and Thurnond Knight, vice president, and other members of the new organization recently visited the Tampa market. Their idea in making this particular visit was to find out what makes a successful cattle market tick.

After visiting the Tampa market and several others in the state the group decided that the Hillsborough set-up was most successful. The new market to be erected at Belle Glade will be patterned after it in all probability.

The officers of the association are on a deal for a tract of land in Belle Glade just north of the ice plant and alongside the Florida East Coast railroad. Charter memberships are being taken in the organization for the remainder of September and those wishing to join should get in touch with H. L. Speer at his office in Belle Glade.

Rumors were bruited about the countryside that the market was to be established on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at Lake Harbor. It is a known fact that the Florida East Coast Railroad has never been too big-hearted about building sidetracks for prospective customers. (Witness the Everglades Growers Cooperative in Pahokee.) However, when it was trickled into St. Augustine offices of the Flagler System business picked up.

Before the proverbial time had passed that it takes to say Lake Okeechobee, big-wigs of the FCC were full of promises to the proposed organization if only it would locate on the FCC. forthcoming from the long-time ultra-conservative East Coast was a promise for a railroad sidetrack and enough sand (hundreds of cards) to cover two acres of land (for cattle pens) two feet deep and also furnish necessary loading equipment.

The proverbial burr had been inserted gently in the spot where it got the most action.

More power to the Atlantic Coast Line and construction of its spur into the deep Everglades. To date it has brought action. In the future it will certainly bring more action for the good of the railroad patron.

Mrs. N. E. Ingram returned Sunday to her home in St. Petersburg after a two weeks' visit with her nephew and niece, Mr. and H. M. McIntosh, in Pahokee. She was accompanied to St. Petersburg by Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh who visited their son, Cadet Kenneth McIntosh, at Florida Military Academy.

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Cinematic Chatter

By Malcolm Millar

The sun blazes down on a strange drama of lonely love, relentless pursuit and deadly encounter in the high Sierras when the intensely dramatic picture "Relentless" bows onto the screen of the Prince Theatre, Sunday-Monday, with Robert Young and Marguerite Chapman carrying the responsibility of the story.

The picture is done in gorgeous technicolor, which brings out the beauty and majesty of the West.

Heading the large list of featured players are Willard Parker, Akim Tamiroff and Barton Lane, all of whom turn out in exceptional performances, which makes this attraction out-standing.

"Relentless" is the story of a wandering cowboy and a gal in blue jeans ... playing murderous hide and seek from the snow-capped Sierras to the sun-scorched desert. Side by side they stalked their prey, from outlaw roosts high in the Sierras to devil's traps in the trackless desert.

I think you will like it. I know you won't miss it!

See you at the movies—Mal.

Five hundred thousand modern homes in ten years will be made possible through new building materials and techniques, according to an article in the August issue of Science Illustrated Magazine.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: New and used Willys Jeeps. Walter Ashley Garage in Belle Glade, Phone 126. J11ch

SEPTIC tanks and grease traps cleaned and repaired. Phone 3872, Bob Douthit, Pahokee. M17c

WELL DRILLING: See Bob Douthit, Pahokee, Fla., Phone 3872. July 16ch

FOR SALE: Dining room suite or will trade for small or medium sized piano. Suite has buffet, china cabinet, table and six chairs, blond finish. Mrs. C. L. Shirley, Phone 3882, Pahokee. K-S24

FOR SALE: 7 Unit Apartment House completely furnished, interior freshly painted, this is a good buy. Call 7143 or 2181, Velva I. Elliott, Reg. Real Estate Broker. St-S10f

FOR SALE: 6 room house within one block of Pahokee Postoffice, this house needs repairs and is being sold at a bargain. Call 7143 or 2181, Velva I. Elliott, Reg. Real Estate Broker. St-S10f

FOR SALE: 2 lake front lots over 100 feet frontage on main highway. Call 7143 or 2181, Velva I. Elliott, Reg. Real Estate Broker. St-S10f

MATTRESSES RENOVATED and made to your order; We are back in business after a fire and Mercantile, Box 325, Pahokee, have all new equipment—Glades Phone 4171. K-Oct. 8c

SALEMAN: For all white industrial debt, good guaranteed salary and liberal commission, debt in Glades area, must be permanent resident with car. Call West Palm Beach 2-3265 Collect if interested. 2t-K-Oct. 1 p

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Prices Are Better On Citrus Than The Public Believes

LAKELAND — Prices paid by independent, cash-buyer citrus canners for fruit they processed this past season were a lot better than most folks realize, figures released here today by the Canners League of Florida indicate.

And to go along with this encouraging sign, canners set a new record in volume of fruit used and juice packed, reaching ever-wider distribution all over the country. Cash-buyer canners, the League reports, packed approximately half of the state's total output for 1947-48.

Average per-box price for oranges paid by League members was 87.3 cents. This was the price delivered to the cannery, and includes picking and hauling costs, the two-cent advertising tax and one-fifth cent inspection tax.

While picking and hauling costs vary widely, allowing 30 cents per box for this expense, plus the two cents tax, the net on-tree grower's return out of the 87.3 cents paid by cash-buyer canners was approximately 55 cents. This is an appreciable increase from the 46 cents on-tree figure reported by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics for processing oranges in 1947-48.

CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"REALITY" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, September 26.

The Golden Text is: "The things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal" (II Corinthians 4:18).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "For the invisible things of him, from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead" (Romans 1:20 (to :)).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "There is but one primal cause. Therefore there can be no effect from any other cause, and there can do no reality in aught which does not proceed from this great and only cause. . . . The spiritual reality is the scientific fact in all things. The spiritual fact, repeated in the action of man and the whole universe, is harmonious and is the ideal of 'Truth'" (207:20-23, 27-29).

Myra Ruth Frasure Has Birthday Party

Mrs. Roy Kautz entertained Saturday afternoon with a party honoring her niece, Myra Ruth Frasure, who was celebrating her third birthday anniversary. Games were played and refreshments were served by the hostess to Betty Jo Phillips, Buddy Lampi, Homer Frasure, Jr., Sharon Bacon, Ronnie Kautz and Myra Ruth.

The B. F. Goodrich Company will start construction this month on a new multimillion dollar plant for the manufacture of industrial rubber belting, at Akron, Ohio, according to T. G. Graham, vice-president.

One hundred nineteen men entered the Marines from Florida during the month of August, according to Capt. K. E. Flake, State Marine Recruiting Officer.

Distillers' Newspaper Ads Cost \$10,000,000

U. S. distillers spent \$28,712,497 in newspaper and magazines in 1947, advertising their brand-name whiskies. Of this amount, \$10,053,835, a little more than one-third, went to newspapers, \$18,658,662 to magazines.

Including gin (\$2,633,843) and rum (\$539,160) the total reached \$31,885,500.

The leading ten in Whiskey advertising, so far as newspapers are concerned, were, according to Al Paul Leffton Co.:

1. Four Roses — \$624,771
2. Calvert Reserve — \$51,498
3. Schenley Reserve — \$22,376
4. 7 Crown — \$77,429
5. P.M. DeLuxe — \$46,333
6. Hunter — \$46,089
7. Old Thompson — \$35,496
8. Schenley Whiskies — \$35,624
9. Fleischmann's Pre. — \$31,165
10. Philadelphia — \$28,023

In the newspaper field the 10 leaders accounted for \$4,383,804 of the \$10,053,835 total.

Group or family-name advertising, such as the \$335,624 for Schenley Whiskies in the newspapers was typical of a number of other distillers' advertising, which prevented a more detailed breakdown of the actual brand name expenditure.

Of the total newspaper gin advertising of \$797,170, the leading five brands advertised were:

1. Hiram Walker — \$206,112
2. Gilbey's — \$135,132
3. Dixie Belle — \$76,750
4. Seagram's — \$67,311
5. Bellows Fine Club — \$57,319

All products other than fruits and vegetables that are packed in tin cans and that have their peak production in summer may be pinched by government restrictions on tin usage, according to the American Can Company. Canned beer is likely to be one of the hardest hit.

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Two Circles Met Monday Evening

Two circles of the Pahokee First Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service conducted regular meetings at the homes of members Monday night.

The Gertrude Shirley Circle met at the home of Mrs. E. F. McMillain with Mrs. John A. Dulany assisting as co-hostess. Mrs. Jess Elliott presented a program on "Ye Have Done It Onto Me" Talks on the subject were given by Mrs. Al Beverly, Mrs. E. J. Graham and Mrs. L. M. Collins. Mrs. M. I. Keen, chairman, presided at the business. Refreshments were served to 15.

Mrs. Lee Rawls was hostess to members of the Mary Martha Circle with Mrs. J. B. Snyder and Mrs. T. W. Jenkins assisting as co-hostesses. A program on "Invitations to Decisions" was presented by Mrs. Lewis Friend, assisted by Mrs. Ellis Murphy, Mrs. Myers Fountain and Mrs. D. W. Cunningham. Mrs. Kenneth Mock, program chairman, presided at the business in the absence of the president, Mrs. Jack Phillips, who is ill. It was announced that Mrs. J. T. Boynton will act as program chairman during the illness of Mrs. Phillips. Refreshments were served to 13.

The Southern Regional Council for Education has named Dr. John E. Ivy, formerly of the University of North Carolina, to draw up its operating plans.

NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to register with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Palm Beach County, Florida, pursuant to the provisions of the statutes of 1941, the fictitious name, to-wit:

FERTILIZER AND INSECTICIDE

Under which name I am engaged in business in Pahokee, Florida.
W. W. McCURDY
Box 24
Pahokee, Fla.

Pub. Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 1948.

NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intend to register with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Palm Beach County, Florida, pursuant to the provisions of the statutes of 1941, the fictitious name, to-wit:

FLORIDA MARINE

Under which we are engaged in business in Pahokee, Florida.
J. T. GUNTER
J. T. GUNTER
Pahokee, Fla.

ub. Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 1948.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

(Senate Bill No. 163)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That C. Y. Byrd holder of the Certificate No. 8175, issued the 5th day of August, A. D. 1929, has filed in my office an application for a tax deed to be issued for the property described property in the County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, to-wit:

LOT 1 BLOCK 10, COURT DELAY

As per PB 12 P 54
The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of Unknown.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in the month of October, 1948, which is the 4th day of October, 1948.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1948
J. ALEX ARNETTE.

(Circuit Court Clerk of
Palm Beach County, Florida.

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Increase In Millage For Hospitals And Schools Cause For Tax Boost

Next year's taxes are going to be higher than they are this year. In fact, they are going to be a great deal higher. In Canal Point, state and county taxes will be 22.3% higher, in Pahokee they will be 19.6% higher, in Belle Glade they will be 19.6% higher while in the recently created City of South Bay they will be 16.1% higher.

In order that the man who bears the tax burden may know the why and wherefore of the tax increase, The Everglades News is presenting herewith a table which is self-explanatory. In case, however, that figures baffle you at times, we are going to take the liberty of explaining the two tables.

Table No. 1 shows the millage necessary for the present year compared with the millage assessed for the coming year. That's column one and two. In column three the increase in millage is shown and the fourth column shows the percentage of increase. The first table is easy to understand, it is simple arithmetic.

Here is Table No. 1:

| | Millage This Year | Millage Coming Year | Millage Increase | Percentage Increase |
|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Canal Point | 29.87 | 36.54 | 6.67 | 22.3% |
| Pahokee | 33.87 | 40.54 | 6.67 | 19.6% |
| Belle Glade | 33.87 | 40.54 | 6.67 | 19.6% |
| South Bay | 35.07 | 40.74 | 5.67 | 16.1% |

Table No. 2 is no more complicated than the first one. But, it is the one that shows in detail where your money goes.

SCHOOL MILLAGE. The school board in order to meet operating expenses during the coming year has had to boost the millage from 14.6 to 17.10 which has already been checked by the state board of public instruction.

HOSPITALS. Directors of the Western Palm Beach County Public Hospital Board, operating the Belle Glade and Pahokee hospitals, have deemed it necessary to raise the millage from 5.0 to 8.25 for the coming year.

TWO ITEMS. You will readily note that in the two items—schools and hospitals—there has been a boost in millage 5.75 mills. This makes up a large majority of the entire tax boost of 6.67 mills.

In Road District No. 11—from which this district gets a large share of money for roads and bridges—the millage is the same as it has been for years—one mill. The Inland Navigation District is assessing one-tenth of a mill in next year's roll.

GENERAL COUNTY. Here is an item that covers many, many expenditures and money from this particular fund is expended under the direction of county commissioners. At the recent two-weeks budget meeting of the commission, members worked for days in an effort to hold the millage down to 9.27 mills—the same as it was last year—but increased salaries of county employees as well as increased costs of materials made it necessary to increase this item some. By paring here and shaving there the commissioners were able to prepare next year's budget with an increase of only .82 mills.

Here is Table No. 2.

| | This Year | Coming Year | Millage Increase |
|----------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------------|
| School Millage | 14.6 | 17.10 | 2.50 |
| Hospital District | 5.0 | 8.25 | 3.25 |
| Road District No. 11 | 1.0 | 1.00 | |
| Inland Nav. Dist. | | .10 | .10 |
| General County | 9.27 | 10.09 | .82 |

(For building roads and bridges, county home, children's home, hospitalization, mosquito control, county airports, mother's aid, detection, home, county parks, county agents, office, county welfare, etc., and items handled by County Commissioners.)

Under General County item above you will note listed several of the items which are paid annually out of this fund. This is the fund from which county commissioners carry on their county business and the fact that it has been increased less than a mill speaks well for the men on the board. An increase of less than a mill in the face of rising costs on every hand is assurance that considerable thought and study was given the General County item before it was placed in the budget.

Growers Group Now Has A New Name

ORLANDO—Pointing to the effective work of the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association in providing supplementary farm labor during the past season, LaMonte Gray, manager, stated that more than 2-1/2 million man hours of work were performed by workers supplied to growers through the efforts of the Association, and a serious farm labor shortage averted.

Arrangements are now pending to provide similar service during the coming season. A full report on the labor prospects for 1948, 1949 and on other factors that will affect production and marketing.

of Florida vegetables will be made at the annual meeting of the Association, which is scheduled to be held at West Palm Beach, October 6-7.

The Association, originally known as the Florida Vegetable Committee, changed its name last year to the Florida Growers Association, but it was found that the name conflicted with other grower-shippers groups, and at a recent directors' meeting it was decided to again change the name, and the organization is now known as the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Fire safe ceramic tile floor and walls around the stove will reduce kitchen fire hazards, according to fire safety experts.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Nicest Compliment
I've Had

One of the nicest comments I've received about this column was from an editor in the Middle West I called on. And while I don't like to give myself orchids, I think it illustrates a point.

"Joe," he said, "it so happens I don't agree with everything you say, but I always like to run your column. Because it gets down to earth and talks about the right to disagree." And it only asks for tolerance towards the other person's point of view.

He went on to explain, by way

of illustration; that he never had happened to have a taste for ale or beer. But that when I spoke of the right to enjoy a moderate beverage like beer, well, he was right there with me!

And from where I sit, that's the important thing: not whether you share another person's tastes or point of view—but whether you recognize his right to exercise a free choice in a free land.

Joe Marsh

Personal

H. J. Clause returned this week from a business trip of several days in Orlando. Enroute home he visited his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Folds, in Sanford.

Terry C. Lee of Tallahassee, state co-ordinator of public institutions, spent the first of the week in the Glades on business and while here spent Sunday visiting his sisters, Mrs. L. J. Fraser and Mrs. J. V. Thomas, and families in Pahokee.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Schroder attended the Lions zone cabinet meeting in Lake Worth Sunday. They were accompanied by their son, Bobby, and Jackie Thomas, who spent the day at the beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kautz moved into their newly completed residence in the Vettville subdivision this week. This is the second house to be completed in Vettville and a third is now under construction.

Legion Post No. 90 Met Monday Night

Members of Fred and Percy Mansfield Post 90 at a meeting in the Woman's Club building Monday night made plans to send a motorcade of local Legionnaires to the big initiation meeting of the Lake Worth Legion Post on the night of Oct. 11 at which Nation Commander O'Neil will be guest speaker. They also accepted an invitation to attend the initiation meeting of the Belle Glade Post on Tuesday night of this week.

The Post voted to sponsor a benefit dance in the Elks Hall as a part of the community celebration of the opening of the new swimming pool in the city park which is scheduled to take place early next month, the date to be announced. All proceeds from the dance will go into the swimming pool fund.

William Howard, new assistant coach of the Pahokee Blue Devils, was introduced and welcomed as a new member of Post 90.

It was announced that Post 90 and the Legion Auxiliary will meet jointly in the woman's clubhouse Monday night, Oct. 4, for a covered dish supper, with auxiliary members acting as hostesses.

Florida is receiving nationwide picture publicity thanks to the effective work of Howe Sadler, director of the Florida News & Photo Service, official publicity agency for the State Advertising Commission.

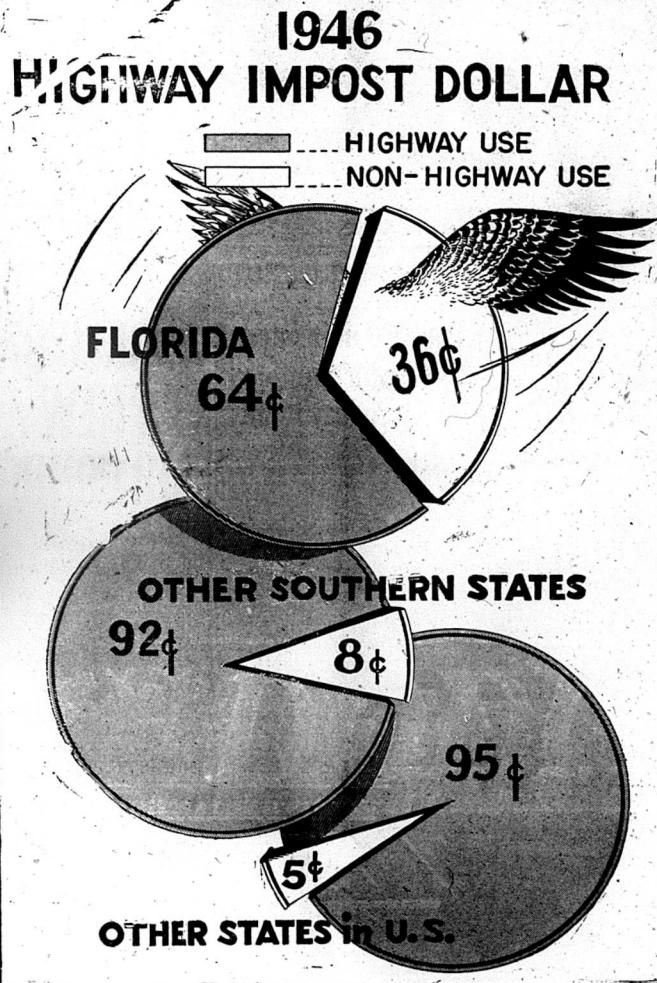
Florida celery growers at a recent meeting voted to use only one standard crate next season size 9 3/4 x 16 x 20 inches, it was announced by the Florida Growers Association.

A baseball enthusiast, M. J. Moss, Orlando realtor, has a standing offer of \$7.50 for every home run knocked by any member of any team in the Central Florida circuit.

Florida legislators better take a pocket full of nickles with them to Tallahassee as the city has installed 250 parking meters since the last legislature session.

A new plastic tile for kitchens and bathrooms has been developed by the Monsanto Chemical Company. It can be cemented to either wood or plaster.

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This chart graphically illustrates the contention made by the Florida Good Roads Association, showing the large proportion of gasoline taxes being diverted to non-highway uses. Although this chart was made on figures for 1946, the proportions are about the same for 1947 and 1948. The 36 cents diverted from every dollar last year amounted to about \$20,000,000. In other Southern States, only 8 cents was taken from each dollar, while other states in the United States show but 5 cents. Florida has the undesirable distinction of leading all States in the diversion of highway funds. The Florida Good Roads Association is urging the passage of Good Roads Amendment No. 1, on November 2.

Citrus Men Fuss Over Merger Plan

LAKELAND—W. C. Pedersen, president of the Florida Citrus Producers' Trade Association, has corrected an impression that a proposed merger of his organization with United Growers and Shippers' Association was PTA's idea.

Late last week, the membership of United voted to reject the merger plan as impractical, and Pedersen said a statement to that effect from Muri Pace, of Orlando, United's president, gave the impression that the proposal came from PTA.

"Just the reverse is true," Pedersen said, in an effort to "set the record straight."

He suggested, however, that the two trade associations, which between them represent about 90 percent of the state's citrus production, consider a merger under the banners of Florida Citrus Mutual.

In a letter to Pace, Pedersen said: "I am in receipt of your wire advising me that the United Growers and Shippers' Association unanimously voted that the proposed merger with Florida Citrus

Producers' Trade Association is impractical. I thank you for this information, but I'm rather at a loss to know why the sudden change in the membership's attitude inasmuch as your organization was the one that instigated the merger in the first place."

"Perhaps we can all merge under the banners of the Florida Citrus Mutual to the advantage of all Florida growers, shippers and canners."

Merger of the two groups had been under discussion for some time, and was considered at a joint directors' meeting early in the week.

Pedersen said PTA had gone to considerable effort to call directors' meetings and appoint committees to study the proposal, and added that he didn't know why United's change of attitude was so sudden.

He also said he thought the two groups could accomplish a great deal more if they both merged under Mutual.

One of the novel stunts performed at the Underwater Theatre at Weekiawachee Springs is drinking a bottle of Coca-Cola while ten feet under the surface.

Port Myers and thirty sister cities are working to secure Florida Airways' service to the city. Port Myers is now served by National Airlines but will continue its efforts to secure additional officials said.

Wet pavements are easy on tires in one respect. B. F. Goodrich engineers say that tire treads average 40 degrees lower temperature when roads are wet than when the surface is dry.

The American Institute of Mining Engineers toured the phosphate areas and visited the plant of the International Minerals and Chemical Corporation following their convention held in Lakeland last weekend.

Palladium, the newly established precious white metal, now joins its older sister metal, Platinum, as the recommended 20th century jewelry gift because "it assures a lasting effect of white brilliancy."

A tubeless tire that automatically seals punctures is now being produced by the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company.

Senior High Classes Name Presidents

Three classes at Pahokee Senior High School have organized for the new school year and elected new class officers as follows:

Senior Class—G. M. Belk, Jr., president; Lee Wrotten, vice president; Loretta Wilson, secretary; Clarence Padgett, treasurer; James Sims, business manager; Delona Jones, reporter and Evelyn Maloy, sergeant-at-arms.

Junior Class—Barbara Wilson, president; Stanley Hooks, vice president; Betty Hicks, secretary; Johanna McKinstry, treasurer; Billy R. Mosely and Lula Makos, business managers; David Ramey, reporter, and John Ogle, sergeant-at-arms.

Freshman Class—Dickie Atkins, president; Rita Fay Hurt, vice president and Mary Ann Howes, secretary-treasurer.

The Sophomore Class, whose election was declared null and void because of a breach in parliamentary law, will conduct a new election in the near future.

College Students Honored At Party

The Intermediate through Adult Training Unions of the Canal Point had a social Monday night honoring two of its young people, Miss Dorothy Chastain and Miss Lois Echols who will soon leave to enter college. Miss Chastain will enter Stetson University in Deland where she will be a sophomore, and Miss Echols will enter Emory School of Nursing.

Mrs. B. E. Scoggan and Mrs. L. L. Horne had charge of the games and a very enjoyable time was had by the following: the Misses Dorothy Chastain, Lois Echols, Marlene Williams, Mildred McInnis, Yvonne Weeks, Pat Geiger, Dellona Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maxson, J. S. Chastain, B. E. Scoggan, L. L. Horne, J. H. Bordeaux, G. T. Echols, Charles Curtner, Mrs. Charles Jones, Mrs. M. J. Sapp, Mrs. R. T. Smith, Mrs. G. L. Sims, Mrs. M. D. Geiger, Buddy Sims Jacob and Trevette Weeks, and Alton Jones.

Pan American Takes In Wider Scope In Its Clipper Service

MIAMI—Pan American aviation took on a new phase last week when the first Convair Clipper to go into service took off from the International Airport for Jamaica, British West Indies, carrying a group of Florida news, radio and public relations men and women invited to witness the christening of the ship, the Jamaica Clipper, at Kingston.

The inaugural flight from Miami to Kingston was completed in two hours and twenty minutes despite strong headwinds.

Regular service began last week with two round trips weekly scheduled.

The new ship is the latest thing in commercial aviation. It is the only commercial aircraft gaining additional power and speed by utilizing formerly waste exhaust gas as an auxiliary jet thrust.

Pressurized cabin enables the Clipper to cruise in the calm upper air and there is no ear popping discomfort while climbing or descending. New safety devices include three blade propellers that feather automatically in an emergency, dual wheels on a tricycle landing gear and leak proof gas tanks in the wing.

The practice of "bleeding" tires—that is, reducing the air pressure in them when they get hot—increases your chances of blowouts and fabric wear, B. F. Goodrich service experts insist. Even in hot weather, they warn, tires should be inflated to the pressure recommended by the car manufacturer; and the pressure should be checked when they are "cool".